

May 18, 2006

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

Re: **HEARING APPLICATION**
Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A
McKenzie Field
Claiborne Parish, Louisiana
Our File No. 420409.0017

Dear Sir:

On behalf of TENSAS DELTA EXPLORATION COMPANY, LLC, application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the McKenzie Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana:

1. To permit the Applicant to drill, designate and utilize an additional alternate unit well for CV RA SUF, at the location shown on the plat attached hereto.
2. To explicitly find that the proposed additional alternate unit well is necessary to drain a portion of the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the McKenzie Field underlying CV RA SUF, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well in such unit.
3. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the McKenzie Field, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 1074, effective September 19, 1979.

The Rules of Procedure of the Commissioner of Conservation pertaining to the Pre-Application

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Notice requirements, are not applicable to the hearing requested herein, which requires legal notice of only ten (10) days.

Pertinent data concerning the intended application will be made available for inspection at the offices of the undersigned. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call the undersigned at (318) 221-6858 during normal business hours or write the undersigned at the above address in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plat, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

A check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation, and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list.

Very truly yours,

BLANCHARD, WALKER, O'QUIN & ROBERTS

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Enclosures

By:


Wm. Timothy Allen III

Attorneys for Tensas Delta Exploration Company, LLC

cc: Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager,
Office of Conservation (w/enclosures)
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat only)

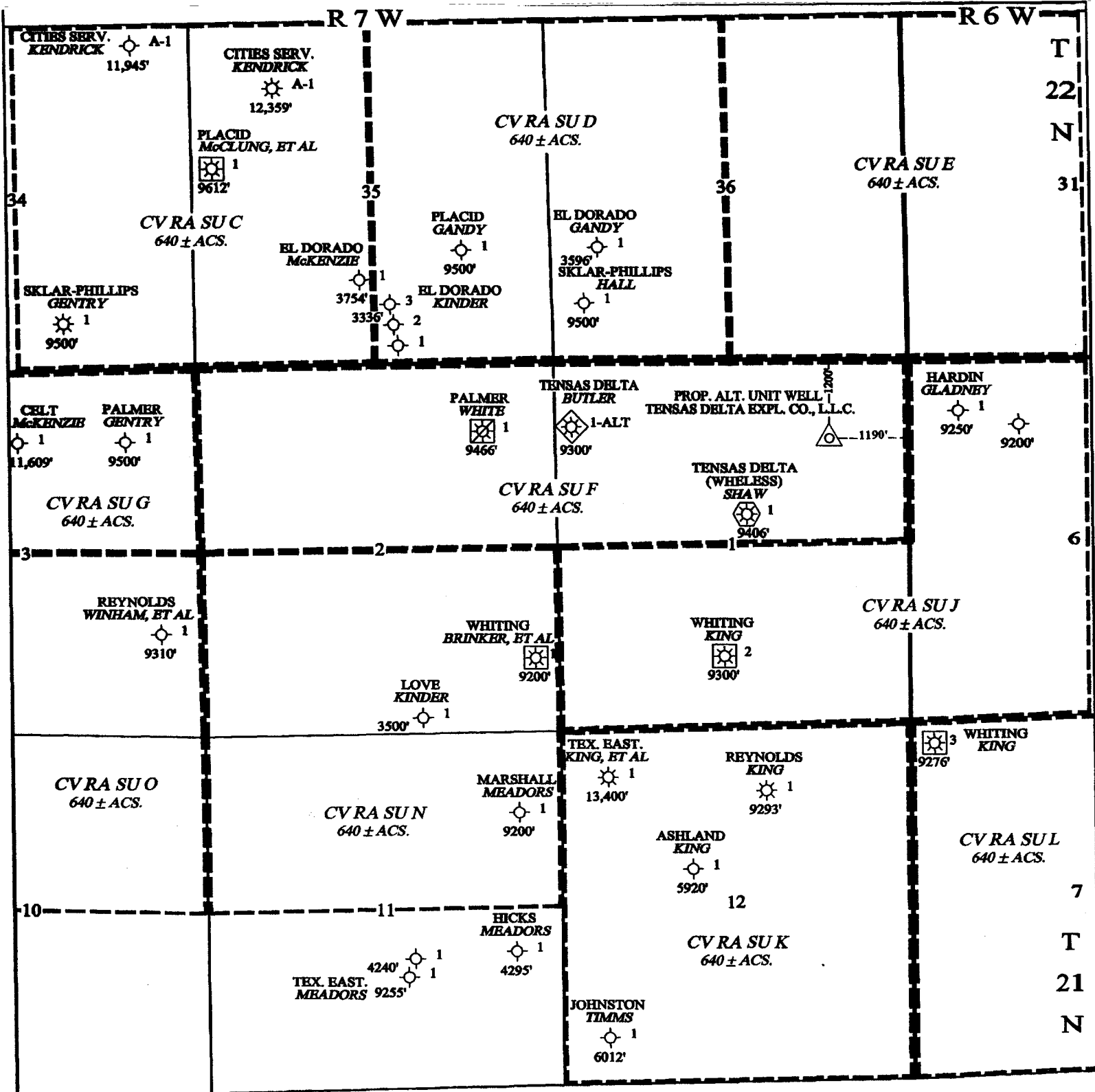


EXHIBIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO.

TENSAS DELTA EXPLORATION CO., L.L.C. SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

McKENZIE FIELD CLAIBORNE PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL FOR COTTON VALLEY RESERVOIR A SAND UNIT F



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GEOL: CRAIG BARCLAY